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1. SUMMARY: YARG MOVING TO SECURE ABU DHABI'S FINANC-
ING OF SIGNATURE OF L/OS WELL PRIOR JUNE 10 DEADLINE. FOR
IMPACT, WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND DIVERSIONS AND EXPEDITIOUS
CONSOLIDATED SHIPMENT BY SEA DIRECT TO HODEIDA.

2. L/OS FOR FMS SALES CASES DA YEMEN UAA AND UAB WERE
PRESENTED TO YAR COS COL. MASWARI BY DCM AND DATT ON

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7 MAY 74. COS MASWARI AND FONMIN ASNAG ARE TO MAKE

PRESENTATION TO ABU DHABI GOVT DURING VISIT THERE
BEGINNING 21 MAY. MASWARI PLANS SUBMIT A SUMMARY
EXTRACT OF THE L/OS AS BASIS FOR REQUESTING FUNDING FROM
ABU DHABI. ON RETURN TO SANAA 27 MAY, L/OS WILL BE SIGNED
AND POUCHED BY EMBASSY WITH CHECK. YARG AGREES TO OCEAN
SHIPMENT OF ALL MATERIEL, IN PLACE EARLIER
MIXTURE
AIR/SEA, BUT STRONGLY URGES WE EXPEDITE DELIVERY OF
ITEMS WITH LONG LEAD TIMES. (THIS MAY REQUIRE REQUEST
SAG ALLOW DIVERSION 81MM MORTARS AS PREVIOUSLY PROPOSED.)

3. REGARDING THE L/OS WE HAVE FOLLOWING COMMENTS:

A. SALES CASE UAB FOR AMMO DOES NOT INCLUDE
CAL .50 SPOTTER ROUNDS WHICH ARE REQUIRED FOR 106MM RR.
THIS WAS COVERED IN REFS B AND C AND WILL REQUIRE AMEND-
MENT OF L/O. AMENDMENT, IF POSSIBLE, SHOULD BE CABLED
TO ABU DHABI PRIOR TO 11 MAY, SO THAT U.S. EMBASSY
ABU DHABI CAN INFORM MASWARI OF PRICE INCREASE.

B. DIVERSION OF MATERIEL WITH LONG LEAD TIMES
(15-31 MONTHS) IS REQUESTED TO EQUALIZE AVAILABILITY TO
THE THREE MONTH AVERAGE STATED FOR THE AMMO IN CASE
UAB AND TO ALLOW CONSOLIDATION INTO ONE SHIPMENT. THESE
ARE ALL ITEMS FOR WHICH YARG HAS CLEAR PRESENT NEED.

C. ALL EQUIPMENT, WEAPONS, AND AMMO ON BOTH SALES
CASES SHOULD BE CONSOLIDATED IN CONUS AND SHIPPED AS
ONE SHIPMENT ON ONE SHIP. IF SHIPMENTS SPREAD OVER
THREE YEARS (81MM MORTARS 31 MONTH LEAD TIME) AND IF
SHIPPED VIA SAUDI ARABIA, MANY ITEMS WILL BE LOST AND
IMPACT TOTALLY DISSIPATED.

D. YARG WISHES AND WE RECOMMEND SHIPMENT DIRECT TO
PORT OF HODEIDA, YEMEN RATHER THAN VIA ANY SAUDI PORT
AS DISCUSSED LAST YEAR. THIS WOULD NOT HAVE HIGH VISI-
BILITY AS EMERGENCY AIRLIFT EARLIER ENVISAGED. IF
DIRECT SHIPMENT IS ALLOWED, US ARMY MATERIEL COMMAND
WILL HAVE TO REVISE US DOD 4140.17M DOCUMENTS AS
REQUESTED IN NOTE 5 ON BOTH L/OS. EMBASSY DOES
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NOT HOLD REF MILSTRIP DOCUMENTS. IF ADVISED DIRECT
SHIPMENT AUTHORIZED WE WILL OBTAIN PROPER QTE MARK FOR
UNQTE INFO FROM YARG AND FORWARD. IF INDIRECT SHIPMENT
VIA SAUDI ARABIA IS DIRECTED, EMBASSY JIDDA WILL HAVE TO
OBTAIN AND SUBMIT PROPER MARK FOR ADDRESS.

E. REF CASE UAA NOTE 7, YARG AGREES.

F. REF CASE UAA NOTES 9 AND 10, YARG ACCEPTS
US ARMY RECOMMENDATIONS AS THEY HAVE NO EXPERIENCE
FACTORS ON WHICH TO BASE AMENDMENTS.

4. JORDANIANS HAVE STILL NOT PROVIDED YARG WITH ESTI-
MATED ANNUAL COSTS OF ENLARGED MILITARY TRAINING AND
DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE (INCLUDING TEACHERS, ETC.), FOR
WHICH ADG HAS ALSO AGREED PAY IF PROVIDED DETAILS.
YARG PARTY WILL NEED THIS FOR FORTHCOMING ABU DHABI
VISIT. WE HAVE PRODDED JORDANIAN EMBASSY HERE AND YARG,
BUT EMBASSY AMMAN MAY WISH SPEAK TO GOJ AS WELL.
BASED ON EARLIER REPORTING FROM EMBASSY AMMAN WE UNDER-
STAND THIS TO BE IN NEIGHBORHOOD OF JD 800,000 ANNUALLY.
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